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E. O. 11652: NA
TAGS: MPOL, PFOR, PROP, XC
SUBJECT: ASIAN SPECIAL FORCES COMMANDERS CONFERENCE

REF: A) VIENTIANE 0411 (NOTAL); B) BANGKOK 4812 (NOTAL)

1. WE WERE SURPRISED TO LEARN FROM REF B THAT MILITARY SPECIAL FORCES CONFERENCES ARE CONTINUING TO BE HELD IN SOUTHEAST ASIA. WE WERE ALSO SURPRISED TO LEARN THAT THE PHILIPPINES WAS A PARTICIPANT IN THE LATEST MEETING AT LOPBURI. THE POTENTIAL FOR FALSE SIGNALS, MISUNDER-STANDING AND PROPAGANDA EXPLOITATION (SEE REF A) WOULD SEEM TO OUTWEIGH ANY BENEFITS WE MIGHT RECEIVE FROM CONTINUING SUCH PARTICIPATION.

2. WE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT THESE
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CONFERENCES. FOR EXAMPLE, WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF THEY ARE SPONSORED BY OR PAID FOR BY THE UNITED STATES. WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF THE COST OF PHILIPPINE ATTENDANCE WAS IN ANY WASY DEFRAYED BY THE UNITED STATES. IF SO, WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW HOW THESE ARRANGEMENTS WERE MADE AND HOW THE INVITATIONS WERE CONVEYED. THIS EMBASSY WAS NOT INVOLVED IN ANY MANNER AND WE WONDER IF OTHER U.S. EMBASSIES

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IN OTHER INTERESTED COUNTIRES WERE.

3. REF B SPEAKS OF A 1978 CONFERENCE BEING HELD AT A
SITE YET TO BE SELECTED AND OF A 1979 CONFERENCE WHICH
SOUTH KOREA HAS OFFERED TO HOST.

4. WE RECOMMEND THAT QUESTION OF U.S. INVOLVEMENT IN
MILITARY SPECIAL FORCES ACTIVITIES IN SOUTHEAST ASIA
BE REVIEWED CAREFULLY WITH A VIEW TO EXAMINING THE FUTURE
UTILITY OF THESE ANNUAL CONFERENCES.
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